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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Ser. No.: 10/624,206	Filed: July 22, 2003	Examiner: Jermie E. Cozart
Art Unit: 3726	Title: <b>METHOD OF JOINING NON-METALLIC AND METALLIC COMPONENTS</b>	

To the Commissioner for Patents:

Transmitted herewith is an *Amendment* in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
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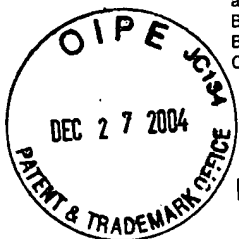
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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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TITLE : **METHOD OF JOINING NON-METALLIC AND METALLIC COMPONENTS**  
APPLICATION NO. : 10/624,206  
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**AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed September 24, 2004, on the above-referenced patent application, Applicant(s) respectfully request reconsideration of the application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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